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To Our Colleagues: November 10, 2003

The Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary (GFNMS) would like to invite you to the **Seventh Biennial Workshop on Research in the Gulf of the Farallones**, scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2004. This workshop is for all oceanographers, marine biologists, geologists, ornithologists, botanists, archaeologists, and marine educators that work in or are interested in the research within the Gulf of the Farallones, the GFNMS, and adjacent areas.

We will be gathering to discuss and share information on current and recently completed research. The workshop will also be an opportunity to meet local marine researchers and educators with whom you may not usually interact, and give you a chance to discuss cooperative efforts such as sharing equipment, field expenses, ship-board time, and data. In addition to our regular poster session, this year we are adding a special poster session for marine educators.

Date of workshop: WEDNESDAY, FERUARY 11, 2004.

Location: CRISSY FIELD CENTER, THE PRESIDIO, SAN FRANCISCO.

Time: 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

Presenters should submit an abstract for inclusion in the proceedings. Oral presentations shall be 10-15 minutes in length. Posters shall be 36"x 48". You may present more than one project. Researchers from marine laboratories, research collectives, or universities are requested to present all their projects that take place within the Gulf of the Farallones or the GFNMS. Extra time will be allotted for multi-project presentations. An LCD projector, slide projector, overhead projector, and screen will be available. Please contact the Workshop Coordinator prior to January 20th if you have special audio-visual requests.

Abstract submission: Abstracts for each project should be approximately one page in length, single-spaced. The information presented must be current, contain the study's specific objectives, materials and methods, and preliminary findings. Abstracts must be e-mailed to the Workshop Coordinator (please contact Coordinator if this is a problem). Please include the abstract BOTH as an attachment (MSWord or rich text file) and in the body of the e-mail. We must receive abstracts and registration forms by Tuesday, January 13, 2004.

If you are unable to attend, but wish to share your research with others, please submit an abstract about your project(s). All abstracts will be published in the proceedings. If you would like to attend but will not be making a presentation, please register by January 13th. Directions to the workshop and a schedule of presentations will be e-mailed by January 30th and can be found at http://farallones.noaa.gov.

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